

# What does a typical day at Common Ground Camps look like?

	Ecology Camp	Animals Camp	Cooking Camp	Rangers Camp	Sprouts Camp
<b>8:30 – 9:00</b>	Arrival for all campers. Check in, open recreation time (indoor or outdoor games, art projects, talk to friends...)				
<b>9:00 – 9:30</b>	Morning meeting and group games: announcements, get organized for the day, play games in small groups to get to know other campers				
<b>9:30 – 10:30</b>	Choice time! Campers roam the campus and choose where they want to play and explore. Animal yards, gardens, the outdoor classroom in the woods, frog pond, and more! Staff are stationed throughout the campus to supervise for safety as campers choose their own adventure.				Choice time in small groups, with each group accompanied by a counselor.
<b>10:30 – 12:00</b>	Specials: each morning, campers sign-up for a “specials” activity of their choice. Specific activities change each day, but are always offered in each of the following areas: animals, gardening, cooking, crafts, science/nature, hiking, and games.	Animal of the day: lesson and activity on a domestic or wild animal: Build a bird or bat house, practice tracking skills, go on a salamander hunt, build terrariums and micro-habitats,...	Go over recipes for the day, then off to the garden to harvest and prepare what we need!	Pack up and go adventure in West Rock for the rest of the day! Games, challenges, hikes, nature interpretation, and Leave No Trace skills. We will carry lunch and water with us on the trail.	Forest based lessons and activities: hikes and other off-campus adventures usually take place in the morning. Wade in the stream, visit Judges Cave, and collect leaves in all shapes and sizes.
<b>12:00 – 12:45</b>	Lunch and playtime. Campers bring their own lunch each day. Staff eat with campers and supervise lunch and playtime.				Lunch and playtime. Campers bring their own lunch each day. Staff eat with campers and supervise lunch and playtime.
<b>12:45 – 2:45</b>	Afternoon activity: this is the “teaching time” in Ecology Camp. Lessons and activities include recycling, composting, native wildlife, pollution prevention, local foods, all about bugs, outdoor skills, and more!	Farm animal care & nature exploration: Adopt a chicken, learn to give educational presentations with/about animals, help with afternoon animal chores, go bird watching, follow animal signs in the woods, explore frog pond,...	Cooking, cleaning up, and eating! Each day, we will make and eat several new dishes, including camper created recipes and old family favorites.		Farm based activities in the afternoon include time with the animals and garden digging, tasting, and exploring. We will also enjoy playtime, cooling off in sprinklers, music, crafts, and stories.
<b>2:45 – 3:00</b>	Dismissal for all campers who are not enrolled in extended day				
<b>3:00 – 5:00</b>	Extended day: games, art projects, and supervised recreation. Parents may pick-up anytime from 3:00 – 5:00.				

## Common Ground Summer 2010 Schedule Overview

July 5 – 9	July 12 - 16	July 19 – 23	July 26 – 30	August 2 – 6	August 9 - 13
Ecology Camp 1			Ecology Camp 2		
Cooking 1	Cooking 2	Cooking Bonus A	Cooking 3	Cooking 4	Cooking Bonus B
Sprouts 1	Sprouts 2	Sprouts Bonus A	Sprouts 3	Sprouts 4	Sprouts Bonus B
West Rock Rangers 1	West Rock Rangers 2	(no camp)	West Rock Rangers 3	West Rock Rangers 4	(no camp)
Animals 1	Animals 2	(no camp)	Animals 3	Animals 4	(no camp)